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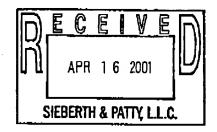
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## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.607

Prior to examination of the present application, please enter the following amendment:

## In the Claims:

Cancel Claims 1-60 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof.

Add Claims 61-65.

A clean version of the entire set of pending claims is submitted. A marked-up version of the claims is also submitted.

## REMARKS

New Claims 61-65 are submitted under 37 C.F.R. §1.607 in order to have an interference declared between the subject application and U.S. Patent No. 6,156,229 ("'229 patent"), and any